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WEATHER.
WASHINGTON, Nov. 17.—For lower Michigan: Showers; cooler; high winds becoming northwesterly.

DO THE FAIR THING.

After some considerable effort the Eagle concludes that the constitution is more binding than one of its editorial opinions, and therefore concedes that the house is "the sole judge of the election" of congressmen. It might be added by way of comfort to its wounded pocketbook that the house never yet unseated a member except for treason, fraud, deceit, usurpation, intimidation or illegal voting. Its absurd charges that Belknap will be unseated by high-handed proceedings, such as charges the board of canvassers to adopt, are entitled to no weight whatever. If Mr. Belknap shall have a majority of the legal votes cast at the last election he will be seated. If the board does not order a recount then the house will either call for the boxes and count the vote itself or send a committee here to do so. It is the sole and only judge of the "election of its members," and ten thousand canvassing boards would be powerless to seat a man without a plurality of the votes cast. Mr. Belknap may receive the certificate of election from the proper authority and it will be prima facie evidence of his right to a seat. But that certificate is no more final than a school teacher's certificate would be unless the house accepts it as final. That's all there is to the controversy. If the canvassing board refuses a recount on partisan grounds, its refusal will not help Mr. Belknap. It will hurt his chances in the house and injure the party here at home. The board cannot afford to be hoodwinked by paid attorneys on either side. The people cannot be hoodwinked by any transparent partisan dodges. They want to know which of the two candidates received the higher number of votes. Some of the members of the board are shown to have made clerical mistakes in making entries. These same men, honest as the day is long, probably made other mistakes. These men are not on the board to decide bets, but to ascertain which candidate is legally entitled to have the certificate of election.

NO FREE TRADE.

Right on the heels of victory for free trade, that able champion of free trade, the Detroit News, publishes a despatch from Washington, saying: "Under these circumstances the passage of the free wool and other bills is out of the question. The passage of these bills at the approaching session of congress would mean the loss of \$30,000,000 to the government. In the present state of national finances, when the expenses are running ahead of the receipts, it will be impossible for either party to seriously consider such a large subtraction. No plan of tariff legislation which makes additions to the free list, even of necessities of life, without providing for some compensating receipts from other sources, can be seriously entertained. Any view of the approaching session, therefore, which considers the passage of the pending tariff reform bill is out of question." This completely vindicates the truth of the statement made by THE HERALD long before election, "that a free trade policy is not only improbable, but impossible." The necessities of the government require the raising of a revenue in excess of the amount now collected by import and tariff duties. It will be impossible to get that revenue by making wool, tin-plate, binding twine and cotton ties free without piling more "tariff taxes" on other competitive commodities. The democrats are "confronted by a condition" that they will be unable to jump over, pass around or crawl under. Their victory will be barren of "free trade" fruits.

SHALL IT BE STOLEN.

It remains for a pretended organ of decency, although a moral and political Pharisee, to advise the republican members of the canvassing board to do an outrage to honesty because the democrats at one time committed a theft. That sanctimonious hypocrite, THE Eagle, has the unblushing impudence to say that the canvassing board, now considering an application for a recount on congressmen, will be justified in ignoring an almost universal demand that it be granted, because a few years ago the democrats, it is alleged, stole the office of mayor of this city. This is not inspired by partisanship; it is inspired by the desperate fear that the votes, honestly and accurately counted, will defeat a candidate upon whose success large sums of money have been risked. No self-respecting journal of either party would sink so low as to ask its readers to condone a palpable crime. What shall be said of a journal that will say "the democrats stole an office seven years ago, now that we have the power let us steal one." Apply that same kind of logic to the democrats would subscribe to it? Apply it to business, and how many merchants would applaud? Is the election of Charles E. Belknap so essential to the welfare of this district that the people will submit to have him declared elected by a partisan board before a fair count of the ballots is had, when there is a protest from his opponent and an indignant public sentiment hostile to such a proceeding? They will not. The people will repudiate and condemn every man that dares to thwart the verdict of the ballot by such lawless and robber-like tactics. THE Eagle has exposed itself to the scorn of every honest citizen.

RAILY FOR TATEUM.

With the Kent county representative delegation pledged to his support, William Aldrich Tateum's chances for the speakership are greatly brightened. From the very first his candidacy has been received with marked expressions of favor. Colonel Bishop of Ludington having withdrawn from the field, it leaves Mr. Tateum the only candidate for the place in northern west Michigan. It is peculiarly appropriate that he should be given the united support of the members for this vast region. If elected he will be the only representative of this populous industrial center, occupying a position that will attract the attention of the state at large. Unfortunately complications denied to this city the representation on the state ticket to which it is entitled. The opportunity is now here to retrieve our ill luck at Saginaw. It is the bounden duty of the republicans in this city to enlist in Mr. Tateum's behalf and to secure for him the speakership of the next house. His friendly opponents will come from the Upper Peninsula, already doubly honored, and the eastern part of the state which also fared well on the state ticket. Let the representatives from northern and western Michigan consolidate on Mr. Tateum and carry off the honor. He is abundantly qualified to discharge the duties of the high office.

PERSONAL POPULARITY.

It seems to afford THE Eagle a deal of pleasure to distort the figures so as to make it appear that its particular political pet received more votes than the republican candidate for elector. If that were the case it would be fair to say that Prof. C. G. Swensberg is elected by a larger plurality than the head of the state ticket, and by several hundred more votes than is accorded to its pet. If it were disposed to be fair it would say also that the nomination of Prof. Swensberg was wholly undesired by him; that he never permitted any mention of his individuality to be made by this newspaper, and never asked any person to vote for him as a personal favor. He was the candidate of the party to do its bidding in electing a president. His personality never figured in the campaign. He never boasted that his "personal popularity" would elect him against any opposition. If he fell any short of the votes he ought to have received as a representative of party principle, and not of his own "personality," it was because THE Eagle and the unsavory clique of political ghouls it serves, treacherously carried out their threat, openly made, to vote against him. Professor Swensberg has never been assailed by any man for untruthfulness. He has never made a promise and failed to redeem it. He is not a political hypocrite, nor a double-faced self-seeker. He is not a sneak and a liar. His political colleagues do not pass him by on the street without a nod of recognition. Perhaps all this may not entitle him to rank as a "personal popularity" candidate, but it earns for him the love and respect of every man that knows him.

POOLSELLERS are indignant because THE HERALD does not advocate a settlement of the election bets to suit their financial interests. Inasmuch as THE HERALD has not a single dollar at stake it refers them for consolation to their official organ, THE Eagle, which evidently has a big pile of somebody else's money to protect.

EX-GOVERNOR LUCE held a secret conference with his friends in the Morton house last evening. From the complexion of the claims made as to the complexion of the legislature on the senatorial ballot, it is quite evident that Uncle Cyrus thinks he is still fighting the presidential battle.

OVER in Ionia county Mr. Belknap has a reported plurality of 276 and yet the canvassing board ordered a recount in six townships. In this county he has no plurality at all, but he objects to a recount, and the canvassing board seems to be inclined to listen to his objection.

THOMAS G. SHEARMAN, one of Cleveland's most reliable confidential friends, is the author of the story that Grover preferred to be damned than to make any pledges to Tammany. Grover is getting even for the merciless drubbing Tammany gave him at Chicago.

It appears that the Cedar Springs Clipper published the only correct report of the returns from Spencer township. This is in the nature of a remarkable "coincidence" inasmuch as it was the only newspaper in the county to do so.

SENATOR FREYER says the populists will not act with the democrats in congress. If they had made that announcement previous to election there wouldn't have been any populists in congress to act.

Now comes the startling news that old bills carry the germs of disease. The average newspaper man is willing to run all risks of contamination.

With no prospect for passing a free wool bill the democrats are enigmatically

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ANY minister that escapes being scored for heresy is missing one of the most effective advertisements of the latter part of the nineteenth century affords.

GROVER'S use of explosives does not seem to dull with age. His rich profanity is pungent, if it isn't picturesque.

WON't somebody please nudge Jerry Rusk. This weather is becoming quite too awfully damp for anything.

THAT tariff is a tax, but the democrats now wish it was anything but a tax.

TATEUM ENDORSED.

William Aldrich Tateum is being prominently mentioned already in connection with the speakership of Michigan's next house of representatives. We can say that Mr. T. made a splendid run in the democratic stronghold of Grand Rapids. He has been an alderman in Grand Rapids, a lawyer of ability, a good parliamentarian and is in every way qualified to fill the position of speaker, and it would be a deserved compliment to him and the second city of the state to elect him speaker.—Rockford Register.

We quote elsewhere, from the GRAND RAPIDS HERALD, an article proposing a bright young attorney of that city, W. A. Tateum, for speaker of the Michigan house of representatives. Mr. Tateum has friends in this section who would be pleased if he should gain that honorable position.—Benton Harbor Palladium.

WHISKY TRUST ENLARGED.

Greenbut Buys a Few Distilleries in Missouri.

St. Louis, Nov. 17.—The big deal by which the gigantic whisky trust, known as the Distilling and Cattle Feeding company of Illinois, secures control of five large distilleries additional to those already in the combine, has been closed. The distilleries changing hands by the deal are the Central of St. Louis, the Crescent and the Star of Pekin, Ill., the Dodsworth of Cincinnati and the Nebraska of Nebraska City. The Star and Crescent are owned by John and Henry Herget. The consideration for the two was about \$25,000; about \$300,000 was paid for the Dodsworth, and the same for the Nebraska. Prior to these purchases the trust controlled ninety-eight distilleries in the United States, with a capacity of 40,000 bushels per day, making a total daily output of 180,000 gallons of spirits. The new acquisitions increase these greatly, the Central having a capacity of 4,000 bushels per day with an output of 18,000 gallons daily, the yield being four gallons and a half to the bushel. The Star has a capacity of 1,500 bushels, the Crescent 3,500 bushels, Dodsworth 1,000 and the Nebraska a little less than the last named.

Army of the Tennessee.

St. Louis, Nov. 17.—The last session of the society of the Army of the Tennessee was held this morning. Father Thomas Sherman, son of the late Gen. W. T. Sherman, addressed the society. The reports of the committees appointed yesterday were called for. The committee on officers for the ensuing year reported as follows: President, Gen. G. M. Dodge; recording secretary, Gen. C. Cadie; corresponding secretary, Gen. A. Hickenlooper; treasurer, Gen. M. F. Force; vice presidents, Gen. A. L. Chetlain, Gen. D. B. Henderson, Col. O. L. Jackson, Maj. Charles Hepp, Col. William B. Keller, Capt. A. L. Oak, Capt. V. S. Vissan, Major W. R. Gen. F. Y. Mullens, Gen. A. C. Duval, Maj. Leo Rosicoff, Capt. W. R. Hodges and Capt. J. D. Voga.

Prominent Mason Dead.

RALEIGH, N. C., Nov. 17.—After an illness of several months, State Treasurer Donald W. Bain, died yesterday afternoon. He was 51 years of age. Mr. Bain was grand secretary of the Masons, having been elected in 1867 to succeed his father. On account of the death of Mr. Bain and Chief Justice Merriman, the democratic jubilee in this city has been indefinitely postponed.

Is This the Millennium?

MEMPHIS, Nov. 17.—Important among the discussions of the Farmers' Alliance and Industrial union today is one for a railroad from British America to the Gulf, through Nebraska, Kansas, Missouri, Indian Territory and Texas, to some point on the gulf. The road is to be chartered by the national government and the people of each state along the line are expected to help.

Hotel Collapse.

CINCINNATI, Nov. 17.—The Washington Park hotel at No. 69 and 71 Twelfth street collapsed at 6 o'clock this evening, but fortunately no one was seriously hurt. Mr. Goetz, the proprietor, received slight injuries about the head and shoulders. A number of guests had left the hotel a short time before the collapse.

Bad Freight Wreck.

ALTOONA, Pa., Nov. 17.—A freight wreck occurred on the Pennsylvania Railroad last night at Altoona, nine miles west of this city. Three men were probably fatally hurt. They are S. G. Johnson, engineer; H. Buck, fireman, and a brakeman whose name has not been learned. The injured are at the Altoona hospital.

For a World's Fair Exhibit.

BALTIMORE, Nov. 17.—The convention of the Wholesale Saddlers Association of the United States, which has been in session three days, was concluded tonight with a banquet at the Hotel Remont. A subscription of \$25,000 was raised for a show and exhibit in the shoe and leather building at the world's fair.

Richard Mansfield Attached.

BALTIMORE, Nov. 17.—An attachment was issued today by the superior court against Richard Mansfield, the actor, who is playing this week at the Lyceum theater, based on a protested note for \$200 in favor of James McLeer of New York. Mr. Mansfield would say nothing about the matter tonight.

For Good Roads.

MEMPHIS, Nov. 17.—Today's session of the interstate road congress endorsed the bill now before the national congress for the appointment of a commissioner in the interest of good roads.

Brewery Burned.

BALTIMORE, Md., Nov. 17.—The National Brewing company's establishment at Canton, Baltimore county, was partly destroyed by fire today. Loss, \$50,000, insured.

A dog stealer at Saginaw is making pet canines disappear at an alarming rate.

Monroe democrats held a satisfaction jubilee last night, garnished with roast ox.

A manufacturer of fanning mills is to be established at Reed City.

FOR AND ABOUT WOMEN.

Even if you are a widow, it will not do to cry your pretty eyes all red, and glow in ugly black frocks. It would not please—him, dear, and it is not fair to the little girl. She ought to think of mamma as only pretty and dainty, and with the sweetest smile in the world in her eyes. She will learn soon enough that it is because of the tears that she is not suffered to fall. Of course, you simply cannot think of "color." They seem like a pre-arrangement just now. Yet in the house at least—for her sake anyhow you must give up the black. This dress is the softest lavender. It is in cashmere-like pattern cloth, stamped with straight wreaths of lilacs. The skirt is



cut bias and so the wreaths run diagonally. There is just trim enough to be dignified and graceful, with no dragging of yards for effect. The skirt is cut princess shape above the waist line, where it is finished all the way around by a fold of lilac ribbons. The short jacket is of lilac cashmere. The collar is faced with lilac silk, and a vest of softly drawn white or cream muslin shows. The jacket is held in place by cords of lilac silk, fastened by rosettes, which cross over the vest. The sleeves are of the material of the dress, and made very full at the shoulder, narrowing at the wrist, where they are finished by a tiny band of muslin like the vest. At the back the jacket effect is carried out, only the skirt is sewed down to the skirt part, to avoid the jauntiness that must go with the Eaton style.

Your eyes will fill if I try to tell you that your pale hair will take new softness, and your eyes grow darker and brighter for the soft tint of the gown. But you should not let yourself feel so. You have never to think of "People must not look at you and think, 'I wonder if the daughter will look so worn at her mother's age?'" You see, it will not do!

HANDSOME AND POPULAR SILKS.

Silk will be a very popular fabric during the winter for house and evening gowns, as there are too many temptations in the market in the silk line to resist. In the uncommonly large exhibit are beautiful Persian patterned satin, wide stripes of black or dark green satin, alternating with lustrous corded silk in brilliant colors, coloring, satin de Lyon, with fine floral devices in olive, green and gold; basket woven silks in tri-colors, shot and dotted sarahs and taffetas, shaded taupe de sole, striped and plaided novel woven and repped silks, plain and fancy bengalines, armures, Marie Antoinette brocades, rich tarans of every color, velvet-trimmed ottoman silks, Muscovite silks with lines of fine gold thread running at intervals through the heavy reps, and so on ad infinitum. A favorite way of making up these very handsome fabrics is with a princess effect, the breadths all in one from neck to hem, or with the skirt sewed to the waist, under a band of velvet or passanterie that hides the joining and simulates a girde or belt.

GOWNS AT A DUBLIN WEDDING.

"At a recent very elegant wedding in Dublin high life," writes a lady to an American friend, "the beautiful young bridesmaids—masters of the bride—were dressed in white, with long, trimmed with other fur, and white felt hats, trimmed with ostrich plumes and golden brown velvet. These dresses were in empire style and were greatly admired. The bride's dress was of white satin and white velours, au princeps, with exquisite bertha and skirt—both of white lace. Her very rare diamond ornaments extended even to her gold bouquet-holder and inlaid fan. Her traveling costume was of dark blue Russian velours, with Connemara cloak of blue camel's hair, lined with mink and trimmed with a very deep cape-collar and edgings of Russian sable."

FABRICS FOR WOOLLEN UTILITY GOWNS.

The season's new tweeds and Irish friezes or homespun, woven by hand from the soft undyed wool, are the very best of their kind. Nothing can be more comfortable or suitable for traveling or walking costume, and they wear so well that the expense at the tailor's or modiste's is fully rewarded. Every woman who owns an ample wardrobe should assuredly provide herself with one of these gowns, while those of more limited means will do well to make these utility fabrics their choice for general use. A good English serge of the heavier sort is also an excellent and inexpensive "stand-by."

NEW FRENCH SILKS.

New and very lustrous French failles are imported that are striped or plaided in fancy velours or velvets. These materials come in lovely evening tints, and also in deep, rich tones for dinner and visiting gowns—in golden tan, golden olive, Burgundy red, Napoleon blue, violet, Venetian green, gray and garnet. Another novelty is a superb French brocade upon whose satin ground are Pompadour designs in shaded velvet, the patterns being borrowed from ancient oriental brocades.

PARAGRAPHS PERSONALS.

In Berlin the authorities have announced that women engaged in factories, etc., may found societies in which opportunity of having their legal rights and duties explained is not denied them, and that they may even discuss such subjects as the bill respecting old age pensions, in spite of its political character; but, on the other hand, political societies managed by men are to be forbidden to allow women to become members and the presence of women at any political meetings is not to be tolerated.

At Brussels the other day Miss Marguerite Combert was awarded her degree as doctor of philosophy and letters amid great applause. Miss Combert is the first young girl who has obtained this degree.

New courses of lectures for women are to be given in the Victoria Lyceum in Berlin. Until now there have been no courses in German and French for women. These experiments have succeeded so well that a two years'

course in English and French is to be added. Moreover, a number of professors in Göttingen have offered to give courses of lectures to women. These lectures are to begin Easter, 1893.

The number of female students inscribed at the Paris faculties has increased by a hundred in a couple of years. At the Faculty of Medicine there are now eighteen students of French nationality, six English, three Roumanian, two Turkish, one Greek, one Russian and 133 Russian. At the Faculty of Sciences the French female students number five against fourteen foreigners.

The French minister of public instruction has decided to preserve the house of Joan of Arc in Domremy as a museum in which to illustrate her history. It will contain models of the various states of dress to her memory, copies of the paintings showing various scenes in her life and the pictures of her which are in the Pantheon.

Miss Ailsa Craig, a non-de theater which has been taken by Miss Ellen Terry's clever young daughter, has definitely decided to adopt the stage as a profession. She has been engaged by Mr. Alexander of St. James' Theatre to take part in the production of the forthcoming comedy "Liberty Hall."

Two English ladies have just opened an "afternoon tea" salon at No. 40 Boulevard Haussmann, Paris, close to the opera, where every comfort will be given to those wishing to partake of this essentially English meal. The little salon is very prettily furnished.

FASHION ITEMS.

A stylish gown worn at a fashionable afternoon gathering recently was made of golden-brown camel's-hair cloth, with seamless back and short Eaton-jacket front. The very large sleeves were of short velvet shading from green to amber brown. The revers of the jacket and the girde were also of velvet. A three-strand braiding of the velvet braided softly and loosely (like a light plaited chataine hair braid on a schoolgirl), encircled the cloth skirt at the extreme edge.

There is no reason this season why any woman should be unbecomingly dressed. There are the empire and directoire waists for slender figures; trim tailor-made costumes for stouter forms, princess models which impart a slender effect and also the corset skirt, and the long English waist which tends to make the figure appear symmetrical.

Among the trimmings of fashionable gown skirts are puffs, platings, ruffles, tiny frills, fur and feather bunches, and also those of velvet ornamented with jeweled passementerie. Some elegant costumes have the foot of the skirt finished with a slender band of fur headed by a rich beaded and jeweled passementerie.

Among the handsome evening wraps are ermine capes in the flowing military shapes with a high turned-over collar and lined with mauve or pink moire. In some models the ermine is gathered full about the shoulders to a yoke and in others a waistcoat front is added.

The blouse is conspicuous as a part of the bodice of some of the most elaborate gowns as the simplest toilet. Pretty dresses for young girls are made with a blouse of the same material as the skirt, belted in at the waist and falling fully twelve inches below it.

The crystal bengalines which can now be had in such pretty home toilet, but enriched with velvet rosettes, birdie and collar, the make gown quite fit for any occasion. These silks are corded alike on both sides.

Red and also green are very fashionable colors this season. A complete costume in red cloth is trimmed with a band of seal two inches and a half deep. The wrap worn with this costume is a triple cape of the red cloth bordered with black fur. Persian effects combined with velvets in deep winter tones are much used for artistic indoor dresses. The princess is the favorite style among these charming gowns, of which the collars and sleeves are the picturesque feature.

A favorite material for coats and long cloaks is a very shaggy make of cheviot known as heather cheviot. No particular color predominates, but brilliant bits of red, green, gray and gold can be discovered on close inspection.

While rough surfaced cloth is in high favor, very handsome costumes are being made of fine glossy cloth in light and medium shades combined, with contrasting velvet of silk or wool.

THE FASHIONABLE NOVELTY IN DRESS.

skirt is the much-gaged umbrella shape with an astonishing flare at the foot.

NO NEED OF HURRY.

Sweet Girl—It's just too mean for anything! There isn't going to be any opera.

OLD SCHOOL FRIEND—Are you so fond of music?

Sweet Girl—No, but I think if there had been forty or fifty nights of opera ahead Geo—I mean Mr. Nicello—would have proposed as a matter of economy.—New York Weekly.

PUT DOWN HER THOUGHTS.

St. Peter—Here is your record.

Fair Spirit—Why, St. Peter, there is something wrong! It is filled with the most horrible profanity, and I never uttered a bad word in my life.

St. Peter—The recording angel does not understand English, my dear woman! He could only put down what you felt.—Life.

COMMON PEOPLE.

"Dear me," said Mrs. De Porque, "they needn't sneer at trade. I understand some of their own people were in the cabinet business or something of that kind."

"Indeed!"

"Yes. One of their ancestors helped found the constitution of the United States."—Washington Star.

Witnesses Feared by Lawyers.

The best witnesses are nervous ones, who are afraid that they will never be able to speak so as to be heard in court. And the worst ones to tackle are those who are telling the truth. If a witness has truth on his side she may be ever so timid, but she will tell a straight story, and the most astute lawyer in the world can neither shake nor break her word.

If a witness is telling a lie a clever lawyer will make her tell another and another until, sooner or later, she has woven such a network of lies around herself that it is comparatively easy to break up one of them, and so the whole structure falls through.

It is easy to win a case for a woman. The natural chivalry of American men makes them in sympathy with a woman when they would feel none at all for a man. Any able lawyer will tell you that he finds it easier to carry through one weak case for a woman than half a dozen strong ones for a man.—Abie Hummel in New York Press.

The Detroit Wheelmen's club will build a handsome club house.

NEWS OF THE HOTELS.

Schuyler S. Olds of Lansing and James H. Shepard of Cassopolis arrived at the Morton yesterday. There is not necessarily anything startling in the fact, but Mr. Olds is a managing Senator Stockbridge's canvass, and Mr. Shepard, while nominally private secretary to President Palmer of the national world's fair commission, is looking after your Uncle Cyrus' senatorial aspirations.

"I have an affidavit in my inside pocket that says I am here on private business," said Mr. Olds yesterday afternoon. "I don't know much about politics just at present. I understand, however, that Bishop of Ludington is not a candidate for the speakership of the house. Um, Senator Stockbridge's canvass? Well, from what I have read in the papers, it seems to be progressing very well, thank you," and the suave secretary edged homeward.

"I'm in the city," said Mr. Shepard, "to see about—by the way, is I. M. Weston around here anywhere? Well, I'm here to—what did Olds tell you he was here for? Private business, eh? Well, whatever Olds is here for I'm here for—private business. No, thank you, I don't believe I care to discuss Mr. Luce's candidacy for the United States senate. But—say, what's the feeling toward him up this way?"

"It is not difficult to explain why my formula has never been discovered," said Dr. Leslie E. Keeley at the Morton yesterday. "Chemists have tried repeatedly and several so-called analysis have been published, but nobody has yet discovered a single ingredient—not one. The fact is the vegetable fibre in the preparation defies analysis. The chemists tests do not hold good in the reactions produced in the presence of vegetable fibre. If I were to tell a chemist what to look for he would not have the slightest difficulty in finding it, but without any idea of what to test for, it is simply impossible for him to solve the secret of the compound. It is doubtful if an ordinary chemical analysis of the preparation could be made twice alike. It is the vegetable fibre that causes the trouble."

"If the board of canvassers declare Belknap elected I don't believe the house will unseat him," said ex-United States Senator Ferry at the Morton yesterday. "There isn't enough at stake. The democrats have such an overwhelming majority in the house of representatives that an extra republican congressman would not be liable to impair their strength in any way. If the majority were a small one, unless all the returns from this district were satisfactory, he would probably be unseated. The fifth district seems to have a great deal of trouble over its congressional returns this year."

HOW GREAT MEN GROW.

President James J. Hill of the Great Northern system of railroads was twenty-five years ago a dock hand on the levee at St. Paul. He is now worth \$20,000,000 and has the finest private art gallery in America.

Mr. Pulitzer of the New York World

once drove a hack and did it as well as

he drove his paper and made himself a millionaire.

General Dunn, who was the practical head of the army so long, began life as an enlisted volunteer in the Mexican war. He rose by long service from private to major general.

Addison Cammack began life as a bank clerk, and his first investment was to buy an interest in a slave-trading vessel.

The late Judge Kelly, for four years of his life, was a jeweler working at the bench. He studied law after he was 30.

Justice Blatchford of the United States supreme court was for several years William H. Seward's private secretary.

The readiest man in congress and the best parliamentarian is William M. Springer. He began life as a country editor.

The hardware business turned C. P. Huntington's mind to trading and the making of a colossal fortune. Schuyler Colfax was an errand boy in a dry goods store in New York City for three years.

Senator Hansborough was a reporter and country editor all his life until sent to congress.

Justice Field was once a missionary at Asia Minor. He can read and write modern Greek.

Six years ago Senator Dubois was an applicant for a \$1,200 clerkship in Washington.

The late Senator Plumb was a freighter on the plains, a type-setter and farmer.

George M. Pullman of palace car fame and fortune was a house-carver and farmer.

Congressman Bland was a miner, with pick and shovel, in California in '49.

Congressman Boutelle developed his all-compelling voice as a sea captain.

John Wanamaker got his start as a cash boy in a retail dry goods store.

General Tracy, the New York congressman, was once a Papal zouave.

Congressman Elijah Morse used to peddle shoe polish from a basket.

R. R. Cable, the railroad magnate, began to get rich as a coal dealer.

Senator Gorman was a page in the same chamber where he now sits.

Zeb Vance was a Methodist